

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ___

Introduced by:	Smith	V,	Brown	<i>C</i> ,	Harris	D

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the Community Civility Counts Initiative of the Gary Chamber of Commerce and the Times Media Company.

Whereas, The Community Civility Counts (CCC) Initiative was spearheaded by the Public Policy Committee of the Gary Chamber of Commerce and The Times Media Company;

Whereas, The CCC came together through discussions centering on making a positive impact in Gary and surrounding communities;

Whereas, Increasing numbers of incidents of disrespect, discourtesy, intolerance, bullying, and violence in our communities reflect a need to raise the consciousness level of

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all Hoosiers from every walk of life;

Whereas, All citizens must be better so that we can all live in a civil manner and in a civilized society;

Whereas, It is the goal of the CCC to help transform our communities through positive programs and relationships;

Whereas, In order to better understand opposing points of view, we must first hear and understand these points of view;

Whereas, Governmental entities must also adhere to the principles of civility;

Whereas, The way government reaches a decision can be as important as the actual decision;

Whereas, Meetings conducted in a fair, open, and civil manner can enhance credibility and acceptance; and

Whereas, The Community Civility Counts Initiative is delivering an awareness campaign to remind everyone about the need for civility and treating each other right: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives commends the efforts of the Community Civility County Initiative and The Times Media Company to spread the word that "Together We Win".
- 4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of 5 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Charles Hughes,
- 6 Executive Director of the Gary Chamber of Commerce, Bob Heisse,
- 7 Executive Editor of The Times Media Company, and Chris White,
- 8 Publisher of The Times Media Company.

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